

# St John's, Pevensey Road

Pews News & Service Sheet  
Trinity Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023



# Welcome to today's Mass at St John's

## This week:

**Morning Prayer**, 9 a.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday,  
in St Peter's Chapel

**Midweek Mass**, Wednesday 10 a.m. St Peter's Chapel

**Online "Zoom" service:** Wednesdays at 10 a.m

(For a link contact [pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com](mailto:pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com))

**Morning Coffee:** Friday 10 - 12 noon in Church

## Our prayers are asked for:

Sue O, Holly H, Andy, Jackie N, Marie N, John T, Nigel & Carrie, Geraldine,  
Della, Tim, Kathryn, Lesley, Sheila, Peter, and Anna.

## Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially John and Amber,  
...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, including Dennis Rodd and  
Joyce Fentiman,  
... and all who mourn.

## HELPING THE POOR HELP THEMSELVES

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'THANK YOU' SAYS JESURAN!

Introit: *Cantate Domino - Pitoni*

## Opening Hymn

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy,! merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around  
the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth  
and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

*Reginald Heber (1783-1826)*

## Welcoming of the people

*Priest* In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* Amen.

*Priest* The Lord be with you

*All* and also with you.

## Prayer of Preparation

*All* Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Prayer of Confession

*Dcn* God the Father forgives us in Christ  
and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

Let us therefore put away all anger and  
bitterness, all slander and malice, and con-  
fess our sins to God our redeemer.

*All* Almighty God,  
our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence,  
through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son  
Jesus Christ, who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in  
newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.

## *The priest says the Absolution*

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon *you*,  
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,  
confirm and strengthen *you* in all good-  
ness,  
and keep *you* in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*All* Amen.

## *The Peruvian Gloria is sung:*

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the  
Father.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the  
Father.

To God be glory forever.

To God be glory forever.

Alleluia, amen. Alleluia amen.

Alleluia amen. Alleluia amen.

Glory to God, glory to God,  
Son of the Father.

Glory to God, glory to God,  
Son of the Father.

To God be glory forever.

To God be glory forever.

Alleluia, amen. Alleluia amen.

Alleluia, amen. Alleluia amen.

Glory to God, glory to God,  
glory to the Spirit.

Glory to God, glory to God,  
glory to the Spirit.

To God be glory forever.

To God be glory forever.

Alleluia, amen. Alleluia amen.

Alleluia amen. Alleluia amen.

## **The Collect**

*The priest introduces the Collect with  
the words 'Let us pray'*

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge  
of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into  
the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## **A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

*Isaiah 40.12-17, 27 - end*

Who has measured the waters in the hollow  
of his hand and marked off the heavens with  
a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a  
measure, and weighed the mountains in  
scales and the hills in a balance?

Who has directed the spirit of the LORD, or  
as his counselor has instructed him?

Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice? Who  
taught him knowledge, and showed him the  
way of understanding?

Even the nations are like a drop from a  
bucket, and are accounted as dust on the  
scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine  
dust.

Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt  
offering.

All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than  
nothing and emptiness..... ..

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O  
Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God"?

Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God, the  
Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not  
faint or grow weary; his understanding is  
unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint, and strengthens  
the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the  
young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the LORD shall  
renew their strength, they shall mount up  
with wings like eagles, they shall run and not  
be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

For the Word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

## **A reading from the Second letter to the Corinthians**

*2 Corinthians 13. 11-end*

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put  
things in order, listen to my appeal, agree  
with one another, live in peace; and the  
God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with a holy kiss. All  
the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the  
love of God, and the communion of the  
Holy Spirit be with all of you.

For the Word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

## Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us

Sing of the Lord's goodness,  
Father of all wisdom,  
come to him and bless his name.  
Mercy he has shown us,  
his love is forever,  
faithful to the end of days.

### Refrain:

*Come, then, all you nations,  
sing of your Lord's goodness,  
melodies of praise and thanks to God.  
Ring out the Lord's glory,  
praise him with your music,  
worship him and bless his name.*

Power he has wielded,  
honour is his garment  
risen from the snares of death.  
His word he has spoken,  
one bread he has broken,  
new life he now gives to all.

### Refrain

Courage in our darkness,  
comfort in our sorrow,  
Spirit of our God most high;  
solace for the weary,  
pardon for the sinner,  
splendour of the living God.

### Refrain

Praise him with your singing,  
praise him with the trumpet  
praise God with the lute and harp;  
praise him with the cymbals,  
praise him with your dancing,  
praise God till the end of days.

### Refrain

*Ernest Sands*

## Gospel Reading

*Dcn* Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and  
to the Holy Spirit,  
one God, who was, and who is, and who  
is to come, the Almighty.

**Alleluia.**

*Dcn* The Lord be with you

**All And also with you**

*Dcn* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus  
Christ according to Matthew

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Matthew 28. 16 - end*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee,  
to the mountain to which Jesus had  
directed them.

When they saw him, they worshiped him;  
but some doubted.

And Jesus came and said to them, "All  
authority in heaven and on earth has  
been given to me.

Go therefore and make disciples of all  
nations, baptizing them in the name of the  
Father and of the Son and of the Holy  
Spirit,

and teaching them to obey everything  
that I have commanded you.

And remember, I am with you always,  
to the end of the age."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

### The Creed

*Deacon* Let us declare our faith in God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and  
the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the  
living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and  
the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is  
worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and  
apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

### **The Peace *is introduced***

Peace to you from God our  
heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ  
who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit,  
the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God  
be always with you

**All and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of Peace

**All may exchange a sign of peace**  
**Offertory Hymn**

***During which the table is prepared and  
bread and wine are placed upon it.***

Bright the vision that delighted  
once the sight of Judah's seer;  
sweet the countless tongues united  
to entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated  
cherubim and seraphim  
filled his temple, and repeated  
each to each the alternate hymn:

"Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
earth is with its fullness stored;  
unto thee be glory given,  
holy, holy, holy, Lord."

Heaven is still with glory ringing,  
earth takes up the angels' cry,  
"Holy, holy holy," singing,  
"Lord of hosts, the Lord most high."

With his seraph train before him,  
with his holy Church below,  
thus unite we to adore him,  
bid we thus our anthem flow:

"Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;  
earth is with its fullness stored;  
unto thee be glory given,  
holy, holy, holy, Lord."

Richard Mant (1776-1848)

## **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

*The president takes the bread and wine.*

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, you made the world and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.

His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and *saying*:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth**

**are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes**

**in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St John the Evangelist and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**All Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass  
against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*Priest* We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many,  
we are one body,  
because we all share  
in one bread.**

*We sit as Agnus Dei is sung:*

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us  
Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
Have mercy on us  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
Give us your peace**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The president says the invitation to communion.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Alleluia.**

*Communion is received. Please bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.*

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**  
The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

*Anthem: Sanctus - Schubert*

## **Hymn**

Father of heaven, whose love profound  
a ransom for our souls hath found,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
our prophet, priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
the soul is raised from sin and death,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy quickening power extend.

Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son;  
mysterious Godhead, three in one,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen.

*Edward Cooper (1770-1833)*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*The priest prays the  
Post Communion for the day*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign  
in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice  
in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

**All** Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off,  
you met us in your Son  
and brought us home.  
Dying and living,  
he declared your love,  
gave us grace,  
and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body  
live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to  
others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to  
the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set  
before us,  
so we and all your children shall be  
free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your  
name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Notices**

### **The Blessing**

**Priest** The Lord be with you  
**All** And also with you

**Priest** God the Holy Trinity make you  
strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side,  
and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you  
and remain with you always. **All** Amen.

### **Final hymn**

Father, Lord of all creation,  
ground of being, life and love;  
height and depth beyond description,  
only life in you can prove:  
You are mortal life's dependence:  
thought, speech, sight  
are ours by grace;

Yours is every hour's existence,  
Sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the man for others,  
we, your people, make our prayer:  
help us love, as sisters, brothers  
all whose burdens we can share.  
Where your name binds us together  
you, Lord Christ, will surely be  
where no selfishness can sever  
there your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning  
wind and flame of Pentecost,  
fire our hearts afresh with yearning  
to regain what we have lost.  
May your love unite our action,  
never more to speak alone:  
God, in us, abolish faction,  
God, through us, your love make  
known.

*Stewart Cross*

### **The Dismissal**

**Priest** The Lord be with you  
**All** And also with you

**All** May the Grace of our Lord  
Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all, evermore. Amen.

**Priest** May the souls of the faithful  
departed, through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace...

**All** and rise in glory. Amen

**Dcn** Go in peace to love and serve the  
Lord.

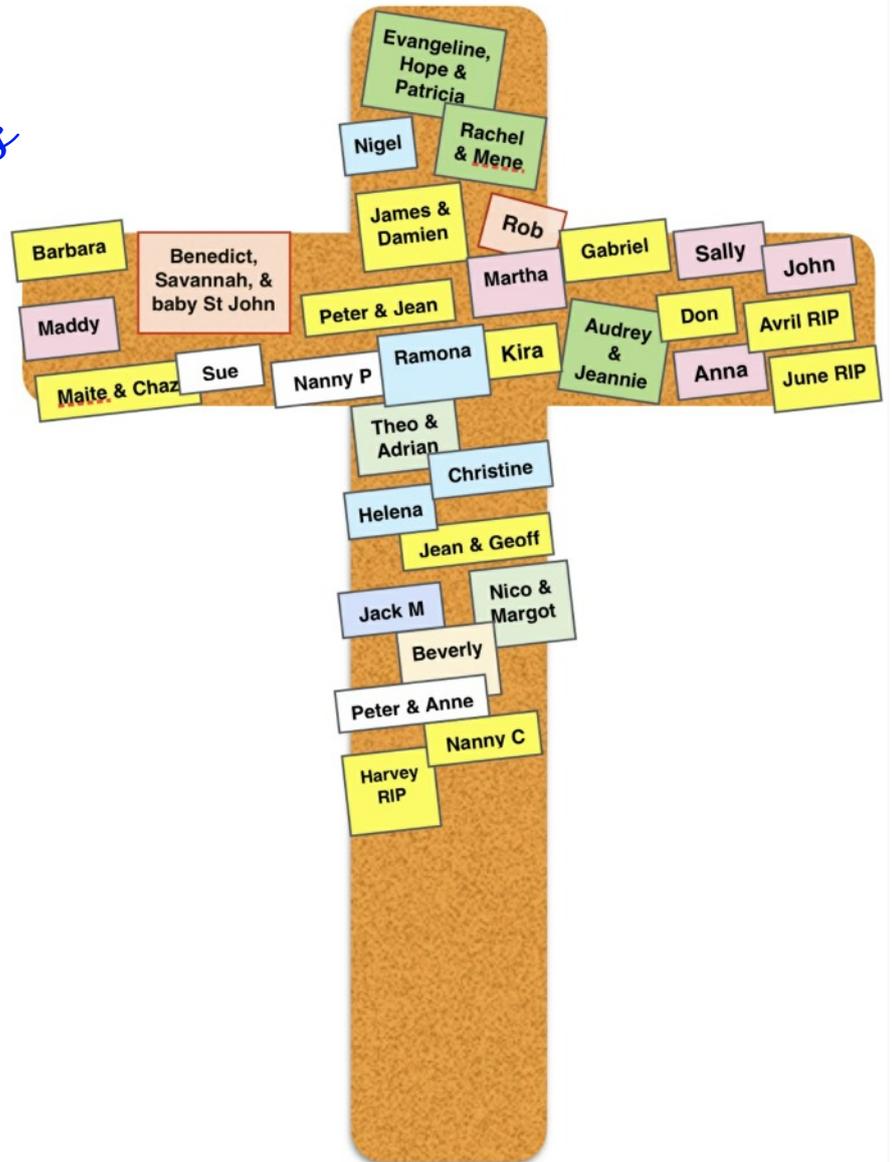
**All** In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ voluntary: Toccata in  
G major - Dubois

Join us for coffee  
after the 10:30 Mass

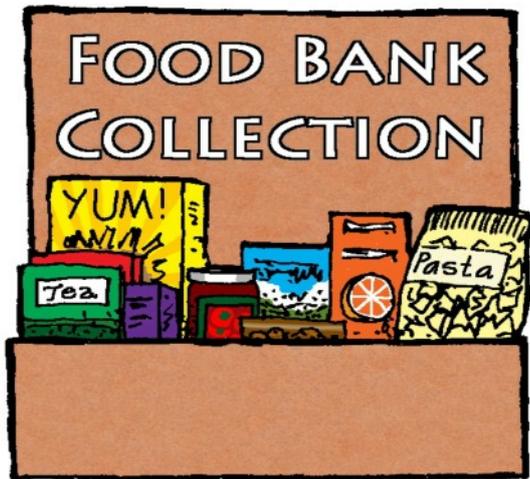


## St John's Prayer Cross



All are prayed  
for by name  
on Fridays

Please let us  
know of those  
who require this  
longer term  
prayer support.  
Or pin their  
names, via the  
slips of paper  
provided, on the  
wooden Prayer  
Cross at the back  
of the Church.  
Thank you.



**The Hastings Foodbank**, run by the Trussell Trust, provides individuals and families with three days' worth of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food. Our donations, at the back of church, are collected by them fortnightly. Can you help by donating? Their current "Urgent" list is shown below.. Toiletries and household cleaning products are also very welcome.

**URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS**

UHT MILK FULL FAT (BLUE) AND SEMI (GREEN)

TINNED MEAT (BUT NOT CORNED BEEF OR PORK)

TINNED VEGETABLES (ESPECIALLY PEAS AND CARROTS)

TINNED FRUIT

TINNED SPAGHETTI IN SAUCE



... do you shop online? Enter online shopping sites via the "Easyfundraising" website/app, and you may be able to raise donations for St John's, at no extra cost to yourself!



**BATHED IN GOLD -  
Brahms' songs and  
piano repertoire.  
Friday June 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm  
doors open 7:00**

Fundraising evening of music for St John the Evangelist.

Jenny and Francis have prepared an exquisite, golden evening of Brahms' most loved and familiar piano intermezzi and songs.

Do join us in both relishing great music, and supporting the work of the church. Bar available

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